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LEAKING MUSTARD PROJECTILES DETECTED IN STORAGE STRUCTURE AT CHEMICAL DEPOT

DESERET CHEMICAL DEPOT, STOCKTON, Utah – Mustard agent vapor leaking from two over-packed 155mm projectiles was detected today during monitoring operations in a storage igloo at Deseret Chemical Depot.

Depot workers in protective clothing entered the igloo containing over-packed projectiles and placed the two munitions in larger airtight containers for continued storage.

The earth covered storage structure is filtered and no vapor escaped into the environment. There was no danger to surrounding communities.

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